

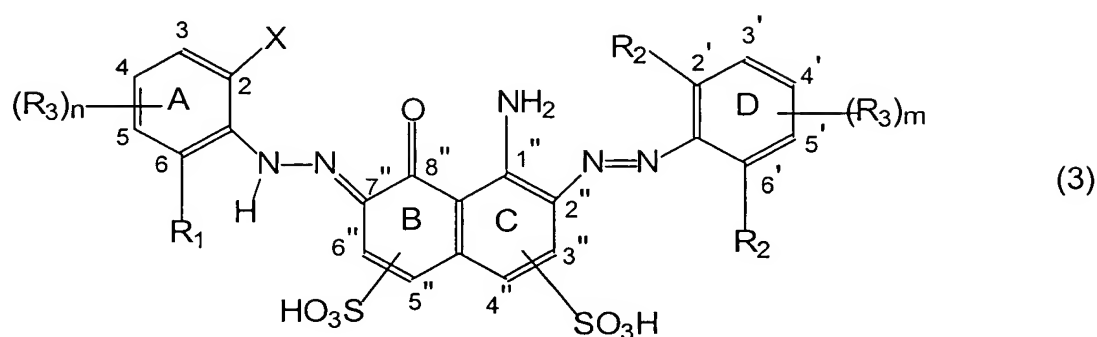
### Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in this application:

#### Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-8 (Cancelled).

9. (New) A compound of Formula 3



wherein

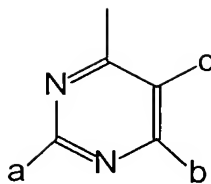
X is selected from the group consisting of fluorine, chlorine, bromine and iodine;

R<sub>1</sub> is selected from the group consisting of fluorine, chlorine, bromine, iodine, hydrogen and R<sub>3</sub>;

each R<sub>2</sub> is the same or different and is hydrogen or R<sub>3</sub>; and

each R<sub>3</sub> is the same or different and is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, alkoxy, acylamino, cyano, -COOH, -COOR<sub>4</sub>, -SO<sub>3</sub>H, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -SO<sub>2</sub>Y, -NHCOY, -A and -B, wherein R<sub>4</sub> is an esterifying group, Y is selected from the group consisting of β-sulphatoethyl, β-chloroethyl, β-thiosulphatoethyl, vinyl, quaternary ammonium ethyl and β-acyloxyethyl, wherein the acyl radical is a radical of an acid selected from the group consisting of alkane carboxylic acid, benzoic acid and benzene sulphonic acid;

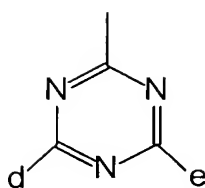
A is of Formula 4



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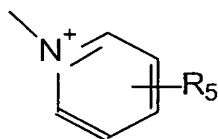
and

B is of Formula 5



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wherein a-e are each selected from the group consisting of halogen,  $-\text{SO}_2\text{CH}_3$ ,  $-\text{SO}_3^-$ ,  $\text{Na}^+$  and  $-\text{N}^+(\text{R})_3$ , wherein R is  $\text{CH}_3$  or of Formula 6



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wherein  $\text{R}_5$  is in a meta or para position to the  $\text{N}^+$  and is H or  $\text{COOH}$ , wherein each of A and B is optionally linked to rings A or D through an  $-\text{NH}-$  group;

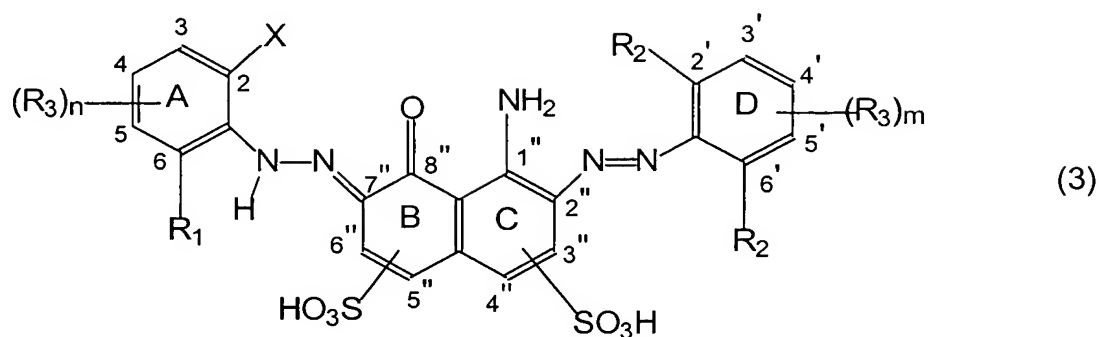
provided that at least one of the  $\text{R}_3$  moieties is selected from the group consisting of  $-\text{SO}_2\text{Y}$ ,  $-\text{NHCOY}$ , -A and -B;

n is 0, 1, 2 or 3; and

m is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

or a water soluble salt thereof.

10. (New) A compound as claimed in claim 9, wherein  $R_4$  is alkyl.
11. (New) A compound as claimed in claim 9, wherein X is chlorine.
12. (New) A compound as claimed in claim 9, wherein X is chlorine or bromine,  $R_1$  is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, chlorine and bromine, each  $R_2$  is the same or different and is hydrogen or  $-SO_3H$ , the  $R_3$  group in ring A is in the 4 or 5 position and is sulphato-ethane-sulphonyl, the  $R_3$  group in ring D is in the 4' or 5' position and is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, sulphato-ethane-sulphonyl,  $-SO_3H$ ,  $-NHA$  and  $-NHB$ , n is 1, and m is 1.
13. (New) A compound as claimed in claim 9, wherein X is chlorine,  $R_1$  is hydrogen,  $R_2$  is hydrogen, the  $R_3$  group in ring A is in the 4 or 5 position and is sulphato-ethane-sulphonyl, the  $R_3$  group in ring D is in the 4' or 5' position and is sulphato-ethane-sulphonyl, n is 1, and m is 1.
14. (New) A compound as claimed in claim 13, wherein the  $SO_3H$  group in ring B is in the 6" position, and the  $SO_3H$  group in ring C is in the 3" position.
15. (New) A method for dyeing fibers, the method comprising dyeing fibers selected from the group consisting of cellulose, wool and polyamide, with a compound as claimed in claim 9, to produce a dyed yarn or fabric which has enhanced dye fastness relative to Reactive Black 5 when washed in aqueous detergent containing peroxy bleach.
16. (New) A method for dyeing fibers, the method comprising dyeing fibers selected from the group consisting of cellulose, wool and polyamide, with a dye having a previously published property of enhanced dye fastness relative to Reactive Black 5 when washed in aqueous detergent containing peroxy bleach, to produce a dyed yarn or fabric, wherein the dye is a compound as claimed in claim 9.
17. (New) A compound of Formula 3



wherein

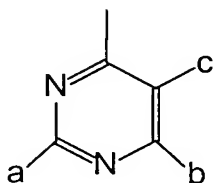
X is chlorine or bromine;

R<sub>1</sub> is selected from the group consisting of chlorine, bromine and hydrogen;

each R<sub>2</sub> is the same or different and is hydrogen or -SO<sub>3</sub>H; and

each R<sub>3</sub> is the same or different and is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, sulphato-ethane-sulphonyl, -SO<sub>3</sub>H, -A and -B;

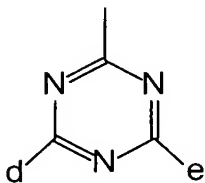
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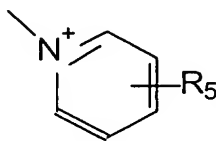
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wherein R<sub>5</sub> is in a meta or para position to the N<sup>+</sup> and is H or COOH, wherein each of A and B is optionally linked to rings A or D through an -NH- group;

provided that at least one of the R<sub>3</sub> moieties is sulphato-ethane-sulphonyl;

n is 0, 1, 2 or 3; and

m is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

or a water soluble salt thereof.

18. (New) A compound as claimed in claim 17, wherein X is chlorine, R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen, R<sub>2</sub> is hydrogen, the R<sub>3</sub> group in ring A is in the 4 or 5 position and is sulphato-ethane-sulphonyl, the R<sub>3</sub> group in ring D is in the 4' or 5' position and is sulphato-ethane-sulphonyl, n is 1, and m is 1.

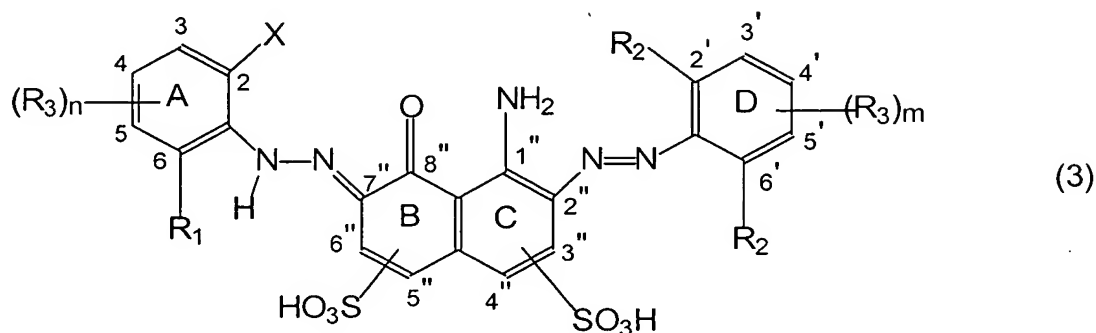
19. (New) A compound as claimed in claim 18, wherein the SO<sub>3</sub>H group in ring B is in the 6" position, and the SO<sub>3</sub>H group in ring C is in the 3" position.

20. (New) A method for dyeing fibers, the method comprising dyeing fibers selected from the group consisting of cellulose, wool and polyamide, with a compound as claimed in claim 17, to produce a dyed yarn or fabric which has enhanced dye fastness relative to Reactive Black 5 when washed in aqueous detergent containing peroxy bleach.

21. (New) A method for dyeing fibers, the method comprising dyeing fibers selected from the group consisting of cellulose, wool and polyamide, with a dye having a

previously published property of enhanced dye fastness relative to Reactive Black 5 when washed in aqueous detergent containing peroxy bleach, to produce a dyed yarn or fabric, wherein the dye is a compound as claimed in claim 17.

22. (New) A compound of Formula 3



wherein

X is chlorine;

R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen;

R<sub>2</sub> is hydrogen; and

each R<sub>3</sub> is in the 4 or 5 position and is sulphato-ethane-sulphonyl;

n is 1; and

m is 1;

or a water soluble salt thereof.

23. (New) A compound as claimed in claim 14, wherein the SO<sub>3</sub>H group in ring B is in the 6" position, and the SO<sub>3</sub>H group in ring C is in the 3" position.

24. (New) A method for dyeing fibers, the method comprising dyeing fibers selected from the group consisting of cellulose, wool and polyamide, with a compound as claimed in claim 22, to produce a dyed yarn or fabric which has enhanced dye fastness relative to Reactive Black 5 when washed in aqueous detergent containing peroxy bleach.

25. (New) A method for dyeing fibers, the method comprising dyeing fibers selected from the group consisting of cellulose, wool and polyamide, with a dye having a previously published property of enhanced dye fastness relative to Reactive Black 5 when washed in aqueous detergent containing peroxy bleach, to produce a dyed yarn or fabric, wherein the dye is a compound as claimed in claim 22.